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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2007 be extended for a period of three (3) months from November 24, 2007 to and including February 24, 2008. Because the due date of February 24, 2008 falls on a Sunday and this paper is being filed on February 25, 2008, the following business day, applicant submits that the accompanying Amendment is timely filed.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$1,050.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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